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DAILY THOUGHT.

Many a word at random spoken,
May soothe or wound a heart that's
broken

—Scott.

THE SUN'S CHRISTMAS TREE.

On account of the unusual demands
being made at present for charity and
help for the poor, The Sun has decided
not to give its usual Christmas tree
for the poor children, and to assist the
ladies who have taken up the charity
work for the winter.

There is a fund on hand, collected
for the tree, and this, with all dona-
tions that may come in, will be turned
over to the ladies' benevolent commit-
tee.

The demands for assistance the past
few days have been very large and the
work of attending to the cases is a
stupendous task. The ladies are in
need of all the assistance they can get
and it behooves each and all of us to
lend them any aid we can. The people
of Paducah have always been
thoughtful in their care of the poor
and we feel that it needs only a direc-
tion of their attention to the present
urgent need to bring the most liberal
of donations. The Sun, for one, is
willing to do all in its power to assist
in the work, and will place its dona-
tion with the ladies' treasury. Let oth-
ers follow the example.

PAYING OUR ATTORNEYS.

The Mayfield Messenger thinks the
next legislature should modify the law
by which county attorneys are paid
commissions. It says:

"For example, a man is fined \$100
for some violation of the law in the
circuit court. What becomes of this
fine of one hundred dollars? Well \$80
is paid to the commonwealth's attor-
ney, \$20 to the county attorney, \$5
to the circuit clerk and \$5 to the trust-
ees of the jury fund, making a total
of \$85 that is paid out in commissions
and only \$15 finds its way into the
state treasury."

Along the same line it also says:
"Would it not be best for all con-
cerned to reduce the fines for viola-
tions of the whisky laws here from
\$200 to \$50 and up, and give the jus-
tices of the peace jurisdiction over
them, as well as the other courts.
There would not be any more viola-
tions, but more revenue could be got-
ten out of them, which seems to be
what the courts are after, as well as
meting out justice to the violators of
the law."

"As it is a man is fined \$300, one
hundred goes to the commonwealth's
attorney, \$60 to the county attorney,
\$10 to the clerk, \$5 to the trustees of
the jury fund, and the poor pitiful
sum of \$24 to the treasury, but if the
justices had gone into the public crib
instead of \$24. This is another law
that needs changing for the good of
the taxpayer."

The mistake is in supposing that
the object of punishing certain offend-
ers by fines is to place money in the
treasury. The treasury is filled in
other ways—by taxation, licenses, etc.
Fines are imposed to prevent infractions
of the law, not to fill the treasury.
The reason commonwealth's and
county attorneys are paid, principally
in fees, is to make the result of their
work pay for their hire. If an attor-
ney knows he is to get a certain per-
cent of a fine, this knowledge acts as

an incentive, and has a tendency to
create in him a desire to make the fine
as large as possible, and to secure as
many of them as he can, and in this
way, by properly punishing every
offender possible, to reduce the num-
ber of violations of law, thereby im-
proving the moral condition of the
community, and thus contribute to
the general welfare of the people.

Under the Messenger's plan, to
get a capable and energetic attorney,
good salaries would have to be paid
out of the taxes, instead of the fines,
and there would be no necessity for
the attorney seeking to punish an
offender where work would be required,
or enmity incurred in so doing.
Lawlessness would increase and vice
run rampant, and the ends of justice
defeated, while the state would at the
same time be constantly under an enor-
mous expense with little or no return.

BETTER MEN NEEDED.

The board of health is a disgrace to
Paducah, and if the members who per-
sistently refuse to meet when a meet-
ing is called will not resign, they
should be impeached and discharged.
If a board of health had not been
deemed essential in the government of
a city, it would in all probability not
have been provided for in the charter.
If the board cannot be brought to-
gether when there are matters of im-
portance to act on, there should be
some recourse for the people.
The board has done nothing since it
created such a furore a few months
ago over the water supply, for which
it was afterwards conclusively shown
there was no foundation in fact. It
never meets, and its members are
such only nominally.

The last call made on the board was
to meet Saturday and act on the im-
proper fumigation of houses infected
with scarlet fever, which Superin-
tendent Hatfield of the public schools
says causes the spread of the dis-
ease, resulting in many pupils who
reside in affected districts having to
remain away from school, and, in
some cases, may be responsible for
the death of children who contracted
the disease through the gross negli-
gence of the health authorities.

With a matter of such importance,
affecting the health and education of
the children of the entire city, to de-
cide, the board of health still refused
to meet. If there is any excuse for
the members longer holding the im-
portant positions entrusted to them,
the general public will fail to per-
ceive it. There are good men in Pa-
ducah who will serve on the board of
health, who will at all times be mind-
ful of the health of the people, and
who will meet whenever called upon
to do so, especially in cases of such
paramount importance as that for
which the board was called Saturday.

Let the present board, with the ex-
ception of the president, who does all
in his power to hold meetings, resign
and give men a chance who will dis-
charge the duties for which they were
appointed.

OLD DEMOCRATIC TRICKS.

The Democratic press of the state
is always disporting itself on the al-
leged warlike attitude of various Re-
publican leaders towards one another,
and telling of the knives they carry
up their sleeves, the guns in their
boots and various other weapons they
are supposed to be "toting" for each
other, and how many souls they have
dangling from their belts, and how
many others they expect to take.

Often they get a calling down such
as Former Governor W. O. Bradley
gave them a few days ago. The
Louisville Post says: Former Govern-
or William O. Bradley today renews
the publication that his "ire is up",
and that he has a knife ready for
the present leaders in the Republi-
can party. Such statements Mr.
Bradley characterizes as false, and
takes the firm stand, once for all,
that he is not seeking to control
federal or other patronage in Ken-
tucky.

He denies he will go to Washington
to ask the removal of Mr. Leslie
Combs from office, as pension agent
for Kentucky, or the removal of Mr.
E. T. Franks as collector of internal
revenue at Owensboro. Such state-
ments, he said, are made with malice
aforethought, and for the sole pur-
pose of creating strife in the ranks of
the party.

In an interview today Governor
Bradley said:
"The statement in this morning's
Courier-Journal is false with but
few exceptions. I am not excited,
my ire is not up, and I am not en-
gaged in a wholesale attack on office
holders. I am not proposing to
fight to the last ditch, but to fight
at all."

"Such articles are intended to stir
up trouble in the Republican party,

and have no other inspiration. I am
not in politics, I repeat. I may en-
dorse a friend here and there for
office, but this is a mere acknowl-
edgement of merit, and an act of
gratitude. I have something else to
do besides assuming to control pub-
lic patronage."

The second class question is becom-
ing quite interesting. Heretofore the
people have known little about it.
Now they are learning a great deal.
A majority seem to be in favor of
going into the second class. If there
are any advantages to be derived from
it, but not just at this time, unless
there are. The members of the city
council will be left to thresh out
the subject and settle it as they deem
best.

It is reported that the Illinois Cen-
tral is pushing West Point, twenty
miles out of Louisville, as a site for
the proposed 20,000 acre army post.
The Illinois Central can get it if any-
thing can. It usually lands whatever
it goes out after.

It is unfortunate that some of the
excessive heat of last summer couldn't
have been held back until now. At
present we would be more apprecia-
tive than we were then.

Mayor Yeager will probably wait and
give the police their appointments
for a Christmas present.

TWO BURGLARIES.

Moore's on Tennessee Street, Re-
lieved of About \$200 Worth.

Their Enters Mr. Sam Goodman's, at Fourth
and Court, and Gets \$28.

Mr. Wm. Moore's grocery store,
on Tennessee street, beyond the I. C.
railroad tracks, was broken into and
entered Saturday night late and goods
and money to the amount of \$200,
estimated by the proprietor, taken
away.

Mr. Moore sleeps in the rear of his
store and heard a crash late in the
night but attached no significance to
it as he thought the snow had probab-
ly fallen from the roof and made the
noise. Upon awakening the next
morning he discovered the front door
had been smashed in, and 200 nickles
and several hams, half a hog, several
sacks of flour and other groceries stol-
en. He immediately notified the
police of the robbery and Officer Orr
was sent out to work up the case.
Search warrants for all the houses in
Worren's addition, and also other
houses in that vicinity were taken out
and a thorough search made by both
Officers Hart and Orr, but no trace of
the stolen goods could be found.

There is no clue to the identity of
the thieves, but the officers are still
working the case up, and are expect-
ing developments soon.

The saloon of Mr. Sam Goodman,
opposite the city hall, was entered
last night and \$28 taken from a cigar
box that had been placed on top of the
big ice box. Nothing else was missed.
The door had either been left unlocked
or the thief had a skeleton key to do
his work with. There is no clue to
the thief.

IT IS A BOY.

Cards have been received in the city
from Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Fox of
Louisville, formerly of the city, an-
nouncing the arrival of Master John
William Counts Fox, at their home.
The many friends of Professor and
Mrs. Fox in this city will give them
heartily congratulations, and wish for
the young gentleman that he may be
as fine a man as his father, and do as
good work for the Sunday schools of
the state.

GROCERIES FOR CONSUMERS.

To the Public:
My patrons and friends. For the
next few days will sell you goods at
greatly reduced prices. See the fol-
lowing:

Granulated sugar 20 lbs for \$1.
Light brown sugar 25 lbs for \$1.
All package coffee 11c a lb.
Best patent flour \$4 per barrel, one-
half patent flour \$3.75. Straight flour
\$3.50 a barrel. Salt, coarse or fine,
\$1.05 per barrel. Best standard toma-
toes \$1.05 a doz. Best standard corn
85c a doz. All dried and canned
fruits and vegetables in like propor-
tion. The best 3 year old Robertson
county whiskey in the city \$2 a gal-
lon. Choice brandies and wines for
family use to be had for less money
than can be found anywhere. Remem-
ber the place, The Old Reliable 119
and 121 South Second.

G. W. ROBERTSON.

A HOLIDAY SALE

—Of—

UNAPPROACHABLE BARGAIN GIVING

GIFTS AT
CUT PRICES

A WEEK of MASSIVE VALUES

All kinds of Dress Goods at cut
prices.

Special lot of Ladies' Walking Skirts
that look and set well.

Children's Jackets with prices all
leaning your way.

A Holiday Clearance sale of Mill-
inery at marvelously low prices.

A Holiday Sale of Women's neck-
wear and all widths of fine ribbons
with prices about half.

Kid Gloves, Golf Gloves and Mit-
tens at unusual low prices. They
make excellent Christmas gifts.

Women's nobby Flannel and mercer-
ized Waists with price attraction as
drawing magnet. Good gifts you
know.

Flannellette Wrappers at cut prices
to clear them out and help gift givers.

A Petticoat sale and Wool Under-
skirt patterns at low gift-giving
prices.

A special sale of Furs for Christmas
gifts and induce acceptable ones.

Very useful values in Ladies' Jack-
ets. The prices about half what we
have been getting.

Big values in Women's and Chil-
dren's Ribbed Undervests and Hosiery.
If you know a good thing you'll ap-
preciate these offerings.

Women's Handkerchiefs at prices
that will make new records and great
selling. Very popular gifts.

Dolls that sleep and Dolls that can't
sleep.

Toys and Tin Horns.

Books that are marvels of cheapness
at 10c to 15c.

Fascinators and Knit Shawls, 25c
to \$1.50, make worthy gifts.

Pocketbooks and Chatelaine Bags
marked for quick selling.

Women's Chiffon Neck Ruches,
very well and up-to-date at prices
that will surprise and please you.

Lace Curtains will make a very nice
gift. Our entire assortment will be
marked down for this sale.

MAKE CLOTHING GIFTS

Extraordinary reductions in Fine
Suits for Men and Boys. Sweeping re-
ductions in Boys' Knee Pants suits.
Fifty Boys' Suits for \$2, reduced from
\$3 and \$4.

Men's Dress Shirts, Wash Shirts,
Undershirts that please every-
body, and the garments are fine for
Christmas gifts.

SHOES FOR ALL.

Compled with the lowest prices in
the city is our guarantee for their du-
rability and fit. During this Holiday
Sale we will make some prices that
will smash all former records. If it's
Shoes you wish for Christmas gifts
come to us.

HARBOUR'S,
112 N. Third Street.

Half a Square
From Broadway.

Holiday Goods In Great Variety.

We are showing a larger and better line of Christmas
Novelties this season than ever before. Everything
new and attractive.

Pleasing For Your Girl Friends.

Handsome Oriental rug, 60c and up.
Beautifully decorated glove or handkerchief box, 25c.
An interesting book, by good writers, 25c, 35c and 45c.
Beautiful brocade figure, \$1.00 and upward.
Hand-painted satin handkerchief case, 35c, 60c and \$1.00 each.
Persian glass pill boxes, 25c up to \$2.00.
Sterilized silk or toilet articles, in new patterns, 25c up to 95c.

Books and Dolls to Delight The Little Folks.

New selection of books containing interesting stories and pictures, 10c
and 25c.
Genuine kid body sleeping dolls, 25c.
Jointed kid body, sleeping dolls with natural hair, 50c.
Bisque dolls, beautifully dressed with hat to match, 50c and 50c each.
Jointed kid body sleeping dolls—15 inches long—natural hair, 50c
and 95c.
Extra size jointed kid body dolls, 20 inches long, \$1.50.

Other Desirable Presents.

The Puritan kid gloves, in black and stylish colors, \$1.00 per pair.
Ready-made waist of flannel and perfect fitting, handsomely tucked
and neatly finished with buttons. We are showing them in any color for
\$1.95 to \$3.50.
Beautiful black or colored silk waists made of good taffeta, cluster
tucked all over, well lined, new Bishop sleeve with fancy cuff, fancy
stock finishing neck, perfect beauties for \$3.95 and \$5.00.
Very stylish and dressy black chiffon neck ruches that add very much
to the costume; we are showing them for 75c and \$1.00.
Ladies' new black seal purse and card case combined, trimmed with
Morocco, 50c, 75c and \$1.00.
A handsome real lace berth would be an acceptable present. We have
them in exquisite patterns for \$7.50 and \$9.95.

Millinery Bargains.

No need to worry about not having a new hat for Xmas when you can
buy one for half the former price. All pattern hats at half price. Re-
duction of 25 per cent on all trimmed hats, \$1.75 to \$1.25. Untrimmed
hats, all shapes, for 75c. All walking and ready-to-wear hats 50c and 75c.
All breads and fancy leathers at half price. Special prices on tips and
plumes.
Untrimmed velvet hats for 50c and 75c.
Also a beautiful line of stamped and plain linens with handsome drawn
work, pin cushions. Pillow tops in satin, 50c. Pillow tops in tapestry,
50c and 75c. Uncovered pillows 75c.
Don't fail to see the bargains in millinery.

Second Floor. ZULA COBBS.

OUR SHOE DEPARTMENT.

Why not have an eye to the useful in selecting your Xmas presents.
We have in shoes and slippers suitable remembrances for mother, father,
brother or sister.

50c buys man's velvet slipper, embroidered vamp.
75c buys a man's Dongola or imitation alligator slipper.
\$1.00 buys man's turn sole, in black or brown, very well.
\$1.50 buys man's addressed kid in colors, very well.
35c buys a 4th room slipper for woman.
75c buys felt fur trimmed Roman for women.
\$1.00 buys felt slipper, turned sole.
\$1.50. See our line of woman's felt Roman's in black, red, brown and
wine, for trimmed, turn sole.

TO CLOSE.

From now until Xmas we sell all misses' \$1.25 grade kid or calf button
shoes at \$1.00.
\$1.00 buys woman's kid heel or spring.
\$1.25 buys woman's kid heel or spring, double sole.
\$1.50 buys woman's soft and fair stitched shoe, equal to any at \$2.00.
\$1.95 buys woman's patent calf mannish shoe, \$3.50 value.
\$1.95 buys woman's patent calf dress shoe, should bring \$2.50.

OUR \$3.00 shoes in men or
women's have the style
and wearing qualities of any
\$3.50 shoe in the market.

Children's Department

From the youngest to age of
maturity we show you the
largest varieties in the city to
select from, stylish and ser-
viceable.

50c buys kid's kid or calf lace
or button shoe, solid, 5 to 8.
50c buys kid's kid shoe,
lace or button, 2 to 5.
75c buys kid's kid shoe,
heavy sole, 5 to 8.
75c buys kid's calf shoe,
heavy sole, 5 to 8.
\$1.00 buys calf or kid, 8 1/2 to
11.
\$1.25 buys boy's 11 to 2 calf
shoe.

\$1.50 buys boy's 9 1/2 to 5 1/2 kid shoe.
\$2.00 buys boy's 5 1/2 to 8 1/2 dress kid shoe with catch shoe, 2 1/2 to 5 1/2.
\$2.00 buys boy's patent calf dress shoe, 2 1/2 to 6.
Get our prices before meeting.

Rudy,
Phillips & Co.